



A CULTURE OF CARE

Have you initiated a successful Replacement, Reduction and Refinement strategy or would you like to develop or implement one?

SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE

The 2018 Tecniplast Australia Animal Welfare & Science Scholarship has been designed to encourage Australian and New Zealand laboratory animal personnel to share their successes and innovations in the area of improving animal care and use and to gain support for further work in this area. The Scholarship is to enhance both animal and personnel welfare and assist best practice procedures and work place outcomes.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible:

1. You must be a current employee within a recognised Australian or New Zealand animal laboratory facility or institution.
2. You must submit a scholarship application outlining your respective area of laboratory animal care and use strategy.
3. You must highlight the specific procedural, animal and/or work place benefits of such current or future projects.
4. You must summarise what support you require to continue/complete your project.
5. You must email your application on the Tecniplast Australia 2018 Animal Welfare & Science Scholarship Application Form provided by the closing date, 30th November 2018.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A maximum of AUD \$10,000 is available over the period 1st January to 31st December 2019 to be provided for two successful scholarship applications across two categories; 1 x Research Award and 1 x Educational Award:

- **1 x Research Award:** One award consisting of funding up to \$5,000 for a research project. (Total Award \$5,000 inclusive of GST).
- **1 x Educational Award:** One award of \$5,000 for further education at The Fondazione Guido Bernardini, an international non-profit organisation dedicated to education and training personnel involved in care and use of laboratory animals. (Total Award \$5,000 inclusive of GST).

For the successful applicant of the **Research Award**, the agreed scholarship funding will be paid to the facility or institution where the applicant is employed, to be used specifically for required project activities such as:

1. Direct education for post graduate training, bridging courses and certificate training.
2. Attendance (i.e. registration fees, travel and accommodation costs) for conferences, seminars and study days.
3. The provision of required books, teaching resources and poster presentations.
4. Other agreed specific activities.

For the successful applicant of the **Education Award**, Tecniplast Australia will pay for all out of pocket expenses associated with attendance to a course of choice in 2019 on either Rodent Husbandry or Zebrafish Husbandry at The Fondazione Guido Bernardini, Milan Italy, such as:

1. The recipient of the Education Award will receive attendance to a three-day course on Organizing and Operating Activities in a Laboratory Rodent Facility or Pathology of the Mouse and the Rat (2019 course dates to be confirmed) or three-day course on Leading Advances in Zebrafish Husbandry (2019 course date to be confirmed).
2. Economy return flights to Milan, Italy.
3. 5 nights' accommodation, meals and transfers.
4. Other agreed specified out of pocket expenses.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS

Scholarship applications are to be submitted to Tecniplast Australia. As the applications are received, Tecniplast Australia will review all applications and forward the applications (blinded) to an independent panel of experts within the laboratory animal community, appointed by Tecniplast Australia. The panel will review project applications on their merit against the below criteria:

- Best practice procedures and compliance
- Enhanced ethical, humane and responsible use of laboratory animals
- Enhanced work place outcomes and occupational health and safety
- Innovation
- Practicality and Implementation

The panel will give their recommendations as to which candidates should receive scholarships. Tecniplast Australia, in its absolute discretion, reserves the right to make the final selections. Successful scholarship recipients will be notified in writing by 31st December 2018.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

ANIMAL WELFARE & SCIENCE

Application Deadline: 30th November 2018

Date of Application:	
Applicant Name:	
Applicant Contact Details:	Address:
	Phone:
	E-mail:
Institution Name & Address:	
Institution ABN: (required for tax invoice purposes)	
Project Name:	
Project Category:	<input type="checkbox"/> Research Project
	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Grant – Rodent Husbandry
	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Grant – Zebrafish Husbandry
Brief description of the proposed or current project:	
Summarize project strategy, methods, expected outcomes and estimated duration of project:	
Summarize procedural, research, animal or work place benefits of the proposed or current project:	
Describe how the applicant intends to apply findings from the project to their institution:	
For Research Scholarship applicants, summarize specific activities that scholarship monies will be used for:	

I, _____, of _____
hereby agree that, if I am successful in my application for a 2018 Tecniplast Australia Animal Welfare & Science Scholarship, I will prepare and submit, within 12 months of notification of scholarship award, a summary of my project outcomes to the Tecniplast Australia Animal Welfare & Science Scholarship panel.

I also agree that the summary of my project outcomes can be used by Tecniplast Australia and/or the Australian and New Zealand Laboratory Animal Association (ANZLAA) for publication and/or presentation purposes. The successful scholarship recipients may be required to present their project at the annual ANZLAA Conference or the Tecniplast Animal Welfare Symposium. For the Research Award recipient, this will be in the form of a verbal presentation. With the Education Award recipient, this can be in the form of a poster presentation or a verbal presentation.

NB: This Scholarship can only be awarded to the successful applicant below and is non-transferable.

Applicant name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

SUPERVISOR APPROVAL

Supervisor name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please submit your application by email on the 2018 Tecniplast Australia Animal Welfare & Science Scholarship Application Form to: scholarship@tecniplast.com.au

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